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CONDITIONS OF SALE

All items are offered subject to arrival or harvest, and will be forwarded as ready. Minimum acceptable order at prices in this list is One Dollar for seeds, or Three Dollars for plants and (or) bulbs, but smaller orders will be filled if accompanied by a service fee of 25c to cover cost of overhead and packing. Remittance by postal order is preferred, but bank checks will be accepted when total is over Two Dollars. If you send actual cash, better register the letter. All seeds are quoted postpaid, but plants and bulbs are offered for express shipment, collect for shipping charges. If you wish plants and bulbs by mail, please add 15% to your remittance for shipments to points east of the Mississippi, and 20% for points west of that river. Any excess postage remittance will either be returned to you, or credited to your account. Safe arrival in good, growable condition is guaranteed of bulbs and plants shipped during the months of September, October and November, and again during the months of April, May and June. During the remaining months plants and bulbs are guaranteed as to arrival only, and not against freezing or heating. We shall, though, always pack with every protection and precaution.

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NEW JERSEY

AUTUMN SEED-SOWING

Seeds of certain hardy perennials, and of many bulbs, shrubs and trees, seem to need a period of exposure to low soil temperatures in order to put them in shape to germinate. The best way to handle such seeds is to sow them in open ground seed-beds, or in cold-frame, in late autumn, October or November, but in regions with mild winters, or elsewhere whenever the ground thaws for a few days, the sowings may continue during December, January and February with excellent results. Of course seeds of house plants may be sown any time of year, usually under glass in a sunny window or greenhouse. We list at least 1000 different kinds of seeds that may be sown to advantage during the autumn months, either out of doors or under glass. See our GENERAL CATALOG. No. 55 for descriptions and offerings of them.

CLERODENDRON GLORY

Two showy beauties for window pot culture.

CLERODENDRON SPECIOSISSIMUM—Great panicles of brilliant, scarlet blossoms at intervals through the year. Few other pot plants are as showy as this one. It can be spectacular. *Illustrated opposite.* Plants, each 90c; 3 for \$2.60.

CLERODENDRON THOMSONAE—A pot plant of much grace and beauty. The flowers are a rich, velvety crimson, backed by snowy white calyces. Blooms several times each year. Rather easy. Each 85c; 3 for \$2.45.



GAY WINDFLOWERS

Here are two winter-hardy beauties, kinds that grow from bulb-like roots. Give some protection in the colder areas.

ANEMONE BLANDA ATROCOERULEA—A bright and lovely Windflower from hills of Greece that bursts into a constellation of starry flowers in the most startling and brilliant of blues at the first breath of spring. 7 inches. The plants are blossom-set, tufted cushions of color. 3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.40. *Illustrated opposite.*



ANEMONE FULGENS—The flowers are a burning scarlet that touches vermilion, as intense in red as the last in blue, and it, too, comes from Greece. The flowers keep in good condition for a long time. 12 inches. 3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.40.

LEWISIA REDIVIVA

Blossoms that are in suggestion of pink Water-lilies, in shades from blush to near rose. It grows to only four inches, but the flowers are, for this, of quite extraordinary size, and there are many of them open at one time. Of full winter-hardiness, if the tubers are kept from frost-heaving damage by firm planting or light mulching. Supplied in dormant tubers 3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00; 60 for \$5.00.



TWO PRETTY ORCHIDS

Here are true Orchids that may easily be grown as winter window plants, or they can be grown outside for spring blooming, for they are garden-hardy at Philadelphia. They go dormant in summer. *Illustrated opposite.*



BLETILLA HYACINTHINA—Hyacinth Orchid. Many delightful blossoms of amethystine purple, delicately fragrant. Each 85c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$7.50.

BLETILLA HYACINTHINA ALBA—Perfumed, graceful flowers of snowy white, or sometimes with faint purple markings. Each 90c; 3 for \$2.60; 10 for \$7.85.

MAGIC LILY or LYCORIS

As by magic, the altogether beautiful flowers appear on long stems that push through the bare ground many weeks after the foliage has ripened and gone. Long-lived, blooming year after year. *Illustrated opposite.* LY-

CORIS SQUAMIGERA—Showy bulb-flower of fullest outdoor winter-hardiness at Philadelphia. Clustered, fragrant trumpets in opaline tones, at first lilac pink, but becoming blue-lavender. Each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.90; 10 for \$8.90. **LYCORIS SANGUINEA**—Described as having large and rich red flowers in August that are "very handsome." We have not yet grown it. For pot culture. Each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.75. **LYCORIS AUREA**—Called Golden Amaryllis. Showy, golden yellow trumpet blossoms with waxy petals are carried in umbels on long stems. Wonderful bulb for pot culture under glass. Each \$1.10; 3 for \$3.00. **LYCORIS RADIATA**—Clusters of sparkling red flowers with crispy, recurved petals. Garden-hardy at Philadelphia, but needs protection in colder areas. Also a good pot bulb. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00. **LYCORIS RADIATA ALBA**—As wax-crispy as the last, but here the flowers may be either snowy white, or a lovely creamy amber. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00. **LYCORIS RADIATA CARNEA**—This one we have not yet grown, but it is described as having delightful blossoms of pure shell pink. Each \$1.00. **OFFER 63FA**—One bulb each of 5, names marked, for \$3.90.



THE WINTER-HARDY GLADIOLUS

You don't need to dig it, just plant the first time, that is all. It will live for years in your garden, the clumps becoming bigger and showier season by season, for the corms of this species increase by annual division. It is **GLADIOLUS BYZANTINUS**, a truly winter-hardy, bulbous perennial that will give a gorgeous display of blossoming every spring, a glowing, far-visible purple that will add living beauty to your hardy border. Mulch planting with straw or litter first winter. After that mulching will not be required in most areas. Blooming time is May into June. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50; 25 for \$4.00.

GLADIOLUS HARDY WHITE—Charming, pure white variety of Gladiolus byzantinus, and just enduringly winter-hardy. Pretty in the border, or for early cutting. 3 for 95c; 10 for \$2.70.

THE LOVELY LILY OF PERU

Lily of Peru is an old name for **ALSTROEMERIA**, and the flowers do indeed rival the Lilies in beauty, though they are actually neither Lilies nor all of them from Peru. They are handsome plants, making great sheafs of blossom splendor. The roots are brittle, tangled tubers that must be kept in soil to prevent drying. At our Old Orchard Nursery we find *Alstroemeria* to be quite soundly winter-hardy. We mulch the plantings with straw in late autumn, parting this in spring to let the stems through, but not removing it. *Illustrated opposite.* **AURANTIACA**—Great sheafs of golden orange, marked crimson. **CHILENSIS**—Handsome flowers from soft pink to rosy orange. It will force. Fully hardy at Old Orchard. **PULCHELLA**—Parrot Lily. Four-foot stems are topped with whorls of deep red trumpets, each with vivid green tip. Easy and hardy in garden. **LIGTU**—Attractive and floriferous. Blush pink, through apricot and rose pink-hinting orange, to near red. Garden-hardy at Philadelphia; also a fine winter forcer.



UNIFORM PRICE—*Alstroemerias* above, each 50c; 3 of one kind for \$1.30; 10 of one kind for \$3.75. **OFFER 64FA**—One plant each of the 4, names marked, for \$1.75; 3 of each for \$4.70; 10 of each for \$12.75.

EREMURUS OR FOXTAIL LILY

The majestic Desert Lily, with its stately spires filled with hundreds of starry blossoms in pink, rose, cream, orange, yellow, copper or white will reach, when established, a height of four to eight feet. A spectacular plant for the hardy border. Fully winter-hardy, but tends to start growth too early in spring, so retard by giving winter mulching. *Illustrated opposite.*

EREMURUS BUNGEI—Spikes filled with big stars in a gold that nears orange. Each \$1.25; 3 for \$3.50.

EREMURUS HIMALAICUS—Long, dense spikes of fragrant, snowy star-flowers. Each \$2.00; 3 for \$5.50.

EREMURUS ROBUSTUS—Giant spikes of rich pink blossoms. Each \$2.75; 3 for \$8.00.

EREMURUS SHELFORD HYBRIDS—Tall, slender, flower-packed spikes in shades of cream, primrose, yellow, apricot salmon, orange, pink, broze. Mixed only; no color choice. Each \$2.00; 3 for \$5.75.

OFFER 64FB—One plant each of the first 3, with 3 of the Shelford, six in all, for \$10.00.



CAUCASIAN BELL-FLOWER

It is **OSTROWSKIA MAGNIFICA**, the Great Bell-flower of the Caucasus, *illustrated opposite*, a stately, tuberous perennial that will reach some five feet of height, carrying many wide bell-blossoms of soft lilac, to 4-inch diameters. Needs full sun, good drainage and firm planting. In cold areas, winter-protect with straw or litter. *Ostrowskia* is a spectacular beauty, but in its behavior a bit on the erratic side. Most of our customers succeed with it, but a few do not. We will supply you with good, sound tubers, our guarantee holds to that, but for the rest, you are on your own. Each \$1.35; 3 for \$3.80; 10 for \$11.00.

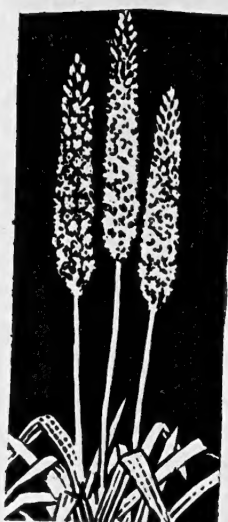
PLANT HARDY PERENNIALS NOW—Then they will be well-established for a fine color display next spring and summer. For full descriptive offerings of hundreds of winter-hardy kinds that will live and bloom for many years, see our separate General Catalog #55, of which a copy is supposed to have been sent you previously.

THE TULIPS

No garden flower can possibly be more showy. Fully winter-hardy. To be planted in autumn. All listed here long-stemmed sorts, blooming in May and June. Bulbs are of size to give very good flowers. **FARNCOMBE SANDERS**—A rose-tinged scarlet, splendid in color and form. 10 for 95c; 25 for \$2.00. **BLEU AIMABLE**—A beauty in heliotrope blue. 10 for 95c; 25 for \$2.00. **PRINCESS ELIZABETH MAX.**—Magnificent flowers in rosy pink. 10 for 95c; 25 for \$1.90. **CARRARA**—Blossoms of purest marble whiteness. 10 for 95c; 25 for \$2.00. **GOLDEN HARVEST**—10 for 95c; 25 for \$2.00. **LOUIS XIV**—Superb blending of purple and bronze, with golden brown margin. 10 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.30. **INDIAN CHIEF**—Enormous flowers of coppery brown, flushed red. 10 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.25. **CLARA BUTT**—An unsurpassed, melting salmon pink. 10 for 95c; 25 for \$2.00. **PRIDE OF HARLEM**—Immense flowers of rosy carmine. 10 for 95c; 25 for \$2.00. **LA TULIPE NOIRE**—Big blossoms in a maroon so rich and dark that it approaches black. 10 for 95c; 25 for \$2.00. **OFFER 65FA**—Five bulbs each of the 10 kinds, names marked, for \$4.25. 10 bulbs each of the 10 for \$8.25.

TULIPS DARWIN MIXED—The showy, long-stemmed Darwin Tulips in well-proportioned, wide color mixture. Plant for gorgeous garden effects, or for cutting. 10 for 85c; 25 for \$1.85; 100 for \$7.00.

TULIPS COTTAGE MIXED—Long-stemmed blossoms in a range of colorings that includes many delightful pastel tones and delicate shadings not found among the Darwins. 10 for 90c; 25 for \$1.95; 100 for \$7.40.



THE DAFFODILS

Daffodil and Narcissus, the names are interchangeable. Narcissus is the botanic name, Daffodil the old English common name, for exactly the same group of delightful spring flowering bulbs. All here are winter-hardy. See page 12 for Paper White Narcissi.

SIAM—Perhaps largest-flowered of the Pink Daffodils. Pure white perianth. Wide, flaring trumpet that opens apricot, becoming soft pink. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.50; 10 for \$4.50.

SPRING GLORY—Giant Trumpet type, the trumpet all deep yellow, the perianth or "saucer" pure white. 10 for \$1.65; 25 for \$3.75.

KING ALFRED—Rich golden yellow. Giant trumpets. 10 for \$1.60; 25 for \$3.60.

SCARLET ELEGANS—Short-cup type. Yellow perianth. Orange cup, edged scarlet. 10 for \$1.40; 25 for \$3.25.

ACTAEA—A showy Poet's Narcissus with white perianth and scarlet eye. 10 for \$1.60; 25 for \$3.25.

NARCISSUS PEERLESS BLEND—A carefully made mixture of hardy Daffodils that includes the Giant Trumpet, the Medium-cup and the Short-cup Narcissi in a desirable balance of both form and color. Delightful for garden decoration, and for cutting. 10 for 75c; 25 for \$1.60; 100 for \$6.00.

THE GIANT HYACINTHS

Here are the sweetly perfumed, large flowering, Dutch Hyacinths. We offer them in two sizes.

HYACINTHS FORCING OR EXHIBITION—Massive spikes for growing in pots, in glasses or in the garden. Richly fragrant. Five sorts. **MARCONI**—Soft rose pink. **MARIE**—Pure, deep blue. **CITY OF HAARLEM**—Soft, creamy yellow. **CARMINE SCARLET**—A rich tone. **L'INNOCENCE**—Of snowy whiteness. **UNIFORM PRICE**—Assorted as desired. Each 35c; 3 for 95c; 10 for \$2.70.

HYACINTHS RAINBOW BEDDING MIXED—Here the bulbs are just right size to give a fine showing for outdoor planting, and they come in a blend of all the delightful Hyacinth colorings. Fragrant. Though usually used for outside planting, they will give a pleasing effect, too, when forced in soil. 5 for 70c; 10 for \$1.30; 25 for \$2.75.

HARDY BULBS AND NEAR-BULBS

For Autumn Planting

Kinds here are garden-hardy at Philadelphia unless contrary statement is made. Also of course, most of them are hardy much further North. If you are in doubt as to winter-hardiness of any new kind in your particular climate, just give a good mulching of straw or litter the first year and it will probably come through all right.

All bulbs will be the full blooming size natural to the particular kind, but note, please, that some kinds are naturally tiny, even though their flowers are not.

STERNBERGIA LUTEA—Called Autumn Daffodil. Fine, wide flowers in the very richest of golden yellows. Once established it will make glorious displays for years. Each 30c; 3 for 80c; 10 for \$2.40.

AMARYLLIS BELLADONNA—(Brunswigia rosea). Perfumed, clustered flower trumpets in soft pink to deep rose. It makes a delightful large pot plant, or it may be grown in the garden, usually wintering well if protected with straw. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00; 10 for \$6.00. *Illustrated opposite.*



CROCUS SPLENDID MIXED—When we see the gay display of Crocus on a sunny bank, we know spring has quite definitely come to stay, for there are the colors of spring, cups of sky blue and deep blue, of mauve, lilac and purple, of white, sometimes with contrasting featherings, and of course with a due proportion of golden yellows. 10 for 40c; 25 for 90c; 100 for \$3.10; 250 for \$7.00.

SNOWFLAKE—Leucojum—We believe that few realize how beautiful and established clump of this can be. Sheafs of nodding blossoms in purest white, with a well-defined patch of deep olive at each petal tip in effective contrast. Long-lived and winter-hardy, increasing year by year in number of bloom-stems. 3 for 35c; 10 for 95c; 25 for \$2.00.



CYCLAMEN NEAPOLITANUM—A true, winter-hardy Cyclamen for outdoor planting, the soft pink to rosy carmine blossoms appearing profusely in autumn, above the decorative masses of wavy, white-marbled foliage. A delight in the not-too-sunny rock garden. Tubers, each 55c; 3 for \$1.45; 10 for \$4.25.

CALOCHORTUS BLEND—Called Mariposa, or Butterfly, Tulips from the airy, but somewhat Tulip-like form, and from the brilliant colorings. The up-facing blossoms range from 2 to 4-inch diameters. Sometimes the flowers are yellow, but more often a white or lilac ground is banded, splashed or stained with crimson, mahogany, chocolate or mulberry. The bulbs are naturally tiny, but not the flowers. Better mulch first year. Quite winter-hardy when once established. *Illustrated opposite.* 7 for 50c; 16 for \$1.00; 100 for \$5.50.

FRITILLARIA RECURVA—16 inches. Many pretty bell-flowers that are brilliant red outside, but buff-yellow within the bell. 3 for 50c; 7 for \$1.00.

FRITILLARIA IMPERIALIS RUBRA—The Showy Crown Imperial always attracts exclamatory admiration from visitors at our nursery when it is in the full beauty, and oddity, of its blooming. Established plants may reach three feet of height, the stems carrying big whorls of bell-flowers in a brilliant scarlet-toned orange, the whole topped with a decorative, crown-like tuft of foliage. The bulbs are naturally large. *Illustrated opposite.* Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00; 10 for \$5.50.



BRODIAEA IXIOIDES—Delightful hardy bulb for rock garden. Big, airy umbels of star blossoms in rich yellow with salmon tones. Full hardiness. 12 inches. 6 for 50c; 14 for \$1.00; 50 for \$2.70.

CAMASSIA CUSICKI—60 inches. Great spikes in Eremurus reminder, filled with large, starry blossoms that range from pale lavender and mauve, to indigo. It increases by offsets, the clumps becoming larger and showier each year. Fullest winter hardiness. *Illustrated below.* 3 for 50c; 7 for \$1.00; 25 for \$3.00.

CHIONODOXA LUCILIAE—Glory of the Snow. 6 inches. A planting of it will be a wide spread of sky-blue, the flowers coming in early spring, often while there is still snow about. Plant much of it. Interesting under trees or shrubbery, and of course it fits the rock garden, too. 10 for 35c; 30 for \$1.00; 100 for \$3.00.

HARDY STAR OF BETHLEHEM—*Ornithogalum umbellatum*—It will give masses of wide and starry white blossoms in lawn, rock garden or meadow. Fully hardy and readily naturalized. Makes effective contrast with the Blue Grape Hyacinth. 10 for 35c; 35 for \$1.00; 100 for \$2.75.

MUSCARI ARMENIACUM—Blue Grape Hyacinth. This vivid, hardy bulb-flower gives great spreads of soul-stirring blue. Plant it liberally in border or rock garden, or you can naturalize it in lawn, orchard or woodland. 10 for 35c; 30 for \$1.00; 100 for \$3.00.

CORYDALIS HALLERI—A dainty little hardy bulb for the rock garden. The compact clusters of charming little purple flowers appear in late March. Fern-like foliage. Will form considerable clumps in time. 4 inches. 2 for 35c; 10 for \$1.25; 25 for \$2.00.

SNOWDROPS—*Galanthus*. The pretty little white blossoms come in March, or, at Philadelphia, sometimes even by the end of February. The Snowdrop naturalizes readily in grass, or it is attractive in the rock garden. 10 for 60c; 20 for \$1.00; 100 for \$4.75.



**TRILLIUM
OVATUM**

SCILLA SIBIRICA—5 inches. The flowers come in the most intense and vivid of possible blues, appearing in vast numbers in very early spring. Wonderful for mass effects, doing well even in shade. 10 for 50c; 23 for \$1.00; 100 for \$4.25.

TRILLIUM GRANDIFLORUM—The lovely Trinity Lily, *illustrated opposite*. The big, three-petal blossoms open pure white, suffusing gradually with a blush pink that often deepens to rose. Fully winter-hardy. Rather prefers shade, but does quite well in sun, too. 18 inches. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.45; 25 for \$3.30.

TRILLIUM LUTEUM—In this rarer species the flowers come in lemon-buff, over marble foliage. This one is definitely for shade. Each 35c; 3 for 85c; 10 for \$2.40.

MERTENSIA VIRGINICA—Virginia Bluebell. Graceful sprays of pink buds open to sapphire blue blossoms. 20 inches. Early, hardy, long-lived. Wonderful in a shady position, but does quite well in sun also. Dormant tubers, 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.90; 25 for \$6.90. *Illustrated opposite.*

BRODIAEA GRANDIFLORA—We like this winter-hardy bulb, and we are pretty sure you will, too, if you will try it. Quite large clusters of glossy, blue-violet trumpets are carried on slender, 15-inch stems. *Illustrated page 8.* Brodiaea bulbs are always small, but not the flowers. June. 6 for 50c; 14 for \$1.00; 50 for \$2.70.



MERTENSIA VIRGINICA



SPODIOPOGON
GRANDIFLORA



TRITELEIA
COERULEA



HYACINTHUS
PLUMOSUS



DODECATHEON

BLUE STAR FLOWER—It is *Triteleia coerulea*, illustrated above, an all-purpose bulb-flower of easy culture and much attractiveness. For many weeks in early to late spring, the plants carry great masses of upfacing flowers, from pale blue, through China-blue, to near indigo. 6 inches. Of full winter hardiness at Philadelphia, but may require protection in cooler areas. It is a wonderful forcing bulb, none easier or surer. 8 for 50c; 18 for \$1.00; 50 for \$2.50.

ANEMONE CORONARIA MIXED—The flowers are like big, single Poppies in varied, brilliant tones of blue, rose, and red, with white. Vividly showy. Needs winter-protection of straw, leaves or cold-frame. May also be forced in pots for late winter flowers. 5 for 40c; 10 for 75c; 25 for \$1.60; 100 for \$6.00.

RANUNCULUS SPLENDID MIXED—The semi-double to intensely double flowers can make a magnificent showing; straw to gold, orange, scarlet, crimson with rosy tones. Sometimes the flowers are contrastingly ringed or petal-tipped. Give Anemone culture. 5 for 30c; 10 for 65c; 25 for \$1.40; 100 for \$5.00.

DODECATHEON MEADIA—The Shooting Star, illustrated above. Clusters of fragrant flowers, pale pink to rose, in Cyclamen reminder. 20 inches. Sun or shade. Fully winter-hardy. Supplied in dormant roots. Each 35c; 10 for \$2.75; 25 for \$6.00.



IXIOLIRION
MONTANUM

LILY OF THE ALTAI—*Ixiolirion montanum*. A dainty and alluring little *Amaryllis* cousin from Mongolia that seems fully winter-hardy at Philadelphia. The vivid blue flowers, like star-spread trumpets, come in June. Illustrated opposite. 10 for 70c; 25 for \$1.50.

HYACINTHS FOR ROCKS

Here are the graceful little alpine Hyacinths, along with their cousins, the Grape Hyacinths, kinds that will give charming effects in the rock garden. Of course the real gardener will find many other places for them, too. The first three are true, botanical, Hyacinths; the others are Grape Hyacinths, being botanically *Muscari*.

HYACINTHUS AMETHYSTINUS—Delightful alpine from Spanish mountains, with loose and graceful spikes of waxen, crispy bells in amethystine blue. 5 for 35c; 10 for 60c; 25 for \$1.15.

HYACINTHUS AMETHYSTINUS ALBUS—Lovely, informal spikes of snowy white bells. 5 for 40c; 10 for 70c; 25 for \$1.30.

HYACINTHUS AZUREUS—Dainty rock garden or bedding species. In bloom at our nursery in March, a vast population of miniature spikes in a clear, intensified sky blue. One of our own favorites. 10 for 60c; 25 for \$1.25; 50 for \$2.25.

THE PLUME HYACINTH—An aberrant, giant *Muscari* with ostrich-plume spikes of blossoms, the floret-petals deeply shredded, curled and crisped until the whole spike becomes a delightful lilac-lavender plume. Illustrated above as *Hyacinthus plumosus*. 10 for 60c; 25 for \$1.25; 50 for \$2.25.

MUSCARI WHITE—Dainty little Grape Hyacinth in pure white. It is one of the prettier rock garden or naturalizing bulbs. 10 for 50c; 25 for \$1.10; 100 for \$4.00.

MUSCARI MOSCHATUM FLAVUM—Nutmeg Hyacinth, called so from the odd, sweet fragrance. Long racemes of somewhat tubular flowers that open violet purple but soon turn to an unusual, clear yellow. 3 for 55c; 10 for \$1.60.

MUSCARI COMOSUM—Tallest of the Grape Hyacinths, to 20 inches, tall enough for the mixed perennial border. The flowers are carried in long loose spikes, the bells an odd olive-shaded brown except at the top, where they are deep blue-violet. 10 for 65c; 25 for \$1.40.

OFFER 68FA—We will send 5 bulbs each of the 7 kinds, names marked, for \$3.65.

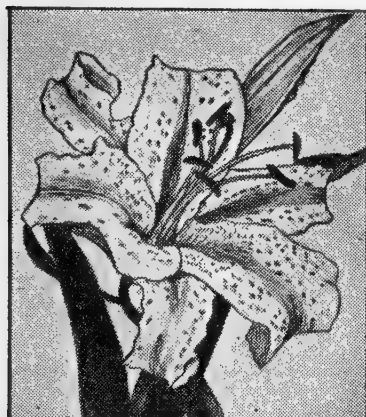
THE HARDY GARDEN LILIES

All here are of full winter hardiness. All are offered in fine, blooming-size bulbs. They will increase in beauty year by year.

LILIUM DAVIDI—Handsome flowers of apricot-orange on vigorous, upright plants. Each 55c; 3 for \$1.50.

LILIUM JAPONICUM—Sweetly scented trumpet-blossoms from blush pink to rosy carmine. Usually grown in pots, but it is garden-hardy in most areas if given winter mulching and good drainage. An altogether beautiful species. Each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.80.

LILIUM AMABILE LUTEUM—A pretty, recurved, all-yellow Lily of easy handling. Each 85c; 3 for \$2.25.



LILIUM AURATUM—The Great Gold-banded Lily. Big flowers with wide white petals, each petal centered with a golden stripe, and usually with rosy dottings. *Illustrated opposite.* Each 90c; 3 for \$2.80.

LILIUM SUPERBUM—Stately plants carry pyramidal clusters of showy, recurved blossoms in rich combinations of yellow, orange, scarlet and maroon. Sun or light shade. Each 40c; 3 for \$1.10; 10 for \$3.00.

LILIUM REGALE—A splendid garden Lily with immense, sweetly scented blossoms that are glossily white and waxlike, rose-suffused in

reverse, lemon-tinted deep in the trumpet. Each 40c; 3 for \$1.10; 10 for \$3.00.

LILIUM HENRYI—In late summer the arching stems of this Lily carry wax-petaled blossoms of deepest golden amber. Sun or shade. An altogether satisfactory and beautiful Lily. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.15.

LILIUM SPECIOSUM RED CHAMPION—Rich carmine, laid over sparkling white. Big, waxlike flowers. An exceptionally vigorous and healthy strain of much beauty. Each 90c; 3 for \$2.50.

LILIUM SPECIOSUM ALBUM—No more beautiful Lily. Reflexed, crispy flowers of glittering white. Each \$1.40; 3 for \$3.75.

LILIUM TENUIFOLIUM—Coral Lily. Many recurved blossoms of brilliant, glossy vermilion. *Illustrated opposite.* Each 30c; 5 for \$1.25; 10 for \$2.25.

LILIUM FORMOSANUM—An easy and delightful Lily with long trumpet-flowers that may be all purest white, or again, and more usually, with some rosy suffusion in reverse. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.80.

LILIUM PARDALINUM SUNSET—In this showy strain the spectacular flower-pyramids are dominantly of a rich crimson, but the petal tips are yellow, and there is a bit of brown dotting. A handsome, and fairly easy, Lily. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.40; 10 for \$4.00.



LILIUM MARTAGON ALBUM—An exquisite. Pyramids of snowy blossoms. Each 90c; 3 for \$2.50.

LILIUM MARTAGON—High racemes of reflexed flowers in rosy purple with violet dottings. Each 90c; 3 for \$2.50.

OFFER 69FA—We will send one bulb each of the 14 Lilies for \$8.75.

BABY LILY BULBS

For autumn delivery, we offer mixed seedling Lily bulbs, mostly of one-season growth, sound and healthy, but just baby-size as yet, running from size of pea to that of a hazel nut, or even larger, according to kind. Mostly they will need two years of growing in order to bloom, but sometimes a few will flower first year. There will be at least five kinds in the blend (but usually more) our choice and not necessarily in same proportion. Our baby-size Lily Bulbs are supplied only in mixture, and only in exact quantities priced, delivery in October. Stocks will not be large, and orders will be filled in rotation according to date of receipt, so better get your paid order on record now. 25 bulbs, minimum, for \$1.00; 90 bulbs for \$3.00.

LILIES FROM SEED

They come quite surely and easily from seeds sown in outdoor seed beds or unheated frames in late autumn, or even during mild periods of winter, germinating the following spring. We can supply very many diverse Lilies in mixture, covering wide range of colors and forms. Order as **SPECIAL LILY BLEND**. $\frac{1}{8}$ oz. 50c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. 85c; 1 oz. \$3.00; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. \$10.00. See page 51 of Catalog #55 for descriptive offering of seeds of 59 separate Lilies.

HERMODACTYLUS TUBEROSA—Serpent Iris or Fingers of Hermes. 12 inches. Erect, oddly formed, almost campanulate flowers of deep olive green, but the reflexed "falls" are velvety black. A weirdly alluring little beauty. Each 30c; 3 for 70c. *Illustrated opposite.*



BULB-GARDEN ALLIUMS

The six kinds below all grow from true bulbs. They will give colorful flowers that will add new beauty to rockgarden or border.

KARATAVIENSE—7 inches. Uniquely decorative Allium from Bokhara, with immense flower-clusters of soft lilac. The leaves are some five inches wide by six long, all of a red-tinged blue-green with metallic lustre. Each 20c; 6 for \$1.00.

MOLY—12 inches. In June come many upfacing clusters of little golden yellow flowers. A showy and easy species, hardy and long-lived. 7 for 50c; 16 for \$1.00; 50 for \$2.85.



AZUREUM—The clustered flowers show about the purest blue of the garden, a deep, blue-sky azure. *Illustrated opposite.* 3 for 50c; 7 for \$1.00; 25 for \$3.00.

NEAPOLITANUM—Clusters of fragrant, snowy flowers. Usually used for forcing in pots, but with winter-protection of straw or leaves, it is garden-hardy to about Boston. 3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00.

OSTROWSKIANUM—A rare Allium from Turkestan, with clustered blossoms in a rich, purple-toned crimson that is not far from maroon. Distinctive, and showy. 3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00.

OFFER 610FA—We will send 19 Allium bulbs, being 7 of Moly, and 3 each of the other 4 kinds, names marked, for \$1.80.

THREE BULB IRISES

The three offered here grow from true bulbs. The flowers are of distinctively graceful form, and many oddly rich color combinations appear that are not found in other iris groups. They cut well. Full winter hardiness.

IRIS RETICULATA—This dainty charmer has been called most delightful of early spring bulb-flowers. The big, upfacing blossoms are of a rich purple-violet, touched with gold. Sweet fragrance of violets. At our New Jersey Nursery it is fully winter-hardy without protection, and blooms in March, 6 inches. Valued both in the rock garden, and as a winter pot bulb, for it forces easily. 3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.25.

IRIS ENGLISH MIXED—None more desirable, either for decorative garden plantings, or for cutting. Big blossoms in varied rich, sometimes bizarre, colorings, running to pansy-purple and red-violet tones, often with contrasting color splashings. Showy. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40; 25 for \$3.00.

IRIS DUTCH MIXED—Here are gay Maytime blossoms in Orchid reminder. Wonderful for cutting, but just as fine for garden decoration. They will force well, too, for winter indoor flowers. Color range is rich in russet and bronze tones, with varied blues, yellows, suffused whites. 5 for 35c; 10 for 60c; 25 for \$1.25; 100 for \$4.70.

OFFER 610FB—We will send 30 bulb-Irises, 10 each of the 3 above, names marked, for \$3.00.

LILY OF THE VALLEY

Graceful, sweetly perfumed bells of snowy whiteness, carried in many graceful sprays. A fully hardy, shade-tolerant perennial for rock garden, bedding, under trees or shaded corner colonies. *Illustrated opposite.* Convallaria majalis. Plants supplied as strong, rooted pips for outside planting. 15 for \$1.00; 33 for \$2.00; 100 for \$5.00.



THE STATELY JAPANESE IRIS

Distinctive, late-blooming group of great beauty; long-lived; desirable for both garden decoration and cutting. Immense flowers in very different color range. We will send one plant each of 10 fine sorts for \$5.25, or one each of 32 different kinds, for \$16.00, names marked in each instance.

PEONIES FOR SPLENDOR

Peony has been called King of the Spring, and surely no flower can be more gloriously beautiful. The plants are long-lived.

KINSUI—Big-flowered Japanese Peony with two rows of salmon pink petals and full, golden center. Each \$1.25.

OIMATSU—Delightful Japanese Peony with pure pink guard petals and tassel of yellow petaloids. Each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.80.

SURUGU—Japanese Peony with deep red guard petals and densely tasselled, golden yellow, petaloid center. A graceful beauty of unusual form. Each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.75.

SNOW-WHEEL—A newer Japanese Peony of much beauty. Purest white, with golden, tufted center. Each \$2.00.

JULES ELIE—Immense blossoms of silvery pink, fully double and pleasingly fragrant. Blossoms rather early. Wonderful cut flower, or splendid decorative for garden planting or landscape effects. Each 95c; 3 for \$2.60; 10 for \$7.50.

KARL ROSENFELD—Large, deep crimson of fine form. Profuse bloomer. Each 95c; 3 for \$2.70.

WALTER FAXON—Vivid salmon pink. Excellent show flower. Fragrant. Each \$1.15; 3 for \$3.00.

LIVINGSTONE—Fine, late-bloomer with large flowers of deep lilac pink, crimson-flecked. Each 95c; 3 for \$2.70.

JEANNOT—Blossoms of soft, lavender pink. Fragrant with perfume of the rose. Each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.75.

FELIX CROUSSE—Splendid, deep rose-red of full doubleness. Good grower. Each 95c; 3 for \$2.70.

DUCHESSE DE NEMOURS—Fine early white with hint of creaminess, but without touch of other color. Full, crown-type blossom. Each 95c; 3 for \$2.70.

ALBERT CROUSSE—Fully double flowers in soft shell pink. Pleasant fragrance. Vigorous free-bloomer. Each 95c.

FESTIVA MAXIMA—Showy, fragrant early, the big blossoms of intense doubleness, purest white save for a few crimson flecks on center petals. Each 90c; 3 for \$2.50.

SARAH BERNHARDT—Apple-blossom pink, shaded rose. Pleasantly fragrant. Good. Each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.85.

OFFER 611FA—One each of the 14 Peonies for \$13.85.



DWARF OR MOSS PHLOX

They bloom in early spring, bright rugs of glorious color, and to be sure of having them established for their full showing next spring, we suggest you put out the plants this autumn. Fully winter-hardy, long-lived perennials with dense, fine foliage. Height about six inches. Nine kinds. **BLUE HILL**—Excellent blue-lavender. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25. **ROSE TUFT**—Clear, deep pink. Still holds good bloom when other kinds are over. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25. **SNOWY WHITE**—Purest, unmarked white. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25; 10 for \$3.70; 25 for \$8.70. **CRIMSON BEAUTY**—Showy, carmine-toned crimson, a rich, warm color. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25; 10 for \$3.70. **DAWN TONE**—Delightful pastel suffusions, bluish to pale mauve. Each 55c; 3 for \$1.40. **EMERALD CUSHION**—Flowers of rich, rosy pink over foliage of shining, emerald green, year through. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25; 10 for \$3.70; 25 for \$8.70. **BRIDESMAID**—xx. Prettily suffused white, with rosy center eye. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.50. **LILACINA**—Soft lilac-blue blossoms of medium size in vast numbers. It rapidly makes a thick, spreading, mossy mat, and it makes an effective and attractive evergreen ground cover. Plants, each 50c; 3 for \$1.20; 10 for \$3.50; 25 for \$8.00. **FRONDOSA VIVID**—5 inches. Compact, dense, slow grower. Hosts of flowers in brilliant pink with darker eye. A beauty. Plants, each 55c; 3 for \$1.40; 10 for \$4.10. **OFFER 559DN**—One plant each of the above nine, for \$4.00.

BULBS FOR THE WINTER WINDOW

It is really not a very difficult matter to have winter window flowers, that is, if you will not try to rush them, and will follow the directions in the leaflet that we send out with each lot of bulbs for forcing.

FREESIA PEERLESS BLEND—It has been called the loveliest of winter bulb-flowers, with its sprays of intensely sweet wax-trumpet blossoms in snowiest white, pink, rose, lilac, lavender, carmine tones, primrose, golden, blue, violet and the like in many a rich shading or dainty suffusion. It is near to being the easiest and surest when it comes to forcing, too, though *Triteleia* and some others might challenge the claim. This is a splendid, large-flowered strain. Plant Freesias liberally. You will always wish you had planted more. 10 for 55c; 25 for \$1.20; 100 for \$4.50.

THE CUBAN JACINTH—The most beautiful of bulb-flowers for pot culture when it is well-grown; that is our estimate of the Cuban Jacinth, *Scilla peruviana*. Rich blue blossoms are densely packed in pyramidal clusters to one foot of height. Showier, more massive, yet more graceful than a giant Hyacinth. Rich blue always. Usually grown as a pot bulb in window or greenhouse, but with some protection it is reasonably garden-hardy from Philadelphia south. *Illustrated opposite.*

large bulbs, like those of Hyacinth. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00.

NARCISSUS PAPERWHITE—Clusters of snowy white, richly fragrant blossoms. One of the easier and surer bulb-flowers for indoor forcing. Will bloom within a few weeks when planted in pebbles and water, or it may be potted in soil. Make successive plantings every three weeks, from the middle of October to the middle of March and you can have continuous bloom all winter. Please note that we supply large bulbs, 14-15 cm. size. 5 for 50c; 10 for 90c; 25 for \$2.00; 100 for \$7.50.

NARCISSUS SOLEIL d'OR—Consider it a Paperwhite Narcissus with flowers of rich golden yellow with orange-red cups. Forces wonderfully, safely and surely, for winter flowers when grown in soil in pots. 5 for 65c; 10 for \$1.25; 25 for \$2.80.

AMARYLLIS GIANT HYBRIDS

—Magnificent flowers, great, expanded trumpets in rose, scarlet, crimson, all one color, or more often with white star-throats, or great splashings and barrings of white. There is no more spectacular bulb-flower for pot culture, and that culture is easy, too, easy enough for any sunny window. It is hard to fail with Amaryllis. *Illustrated opposite.* Bulbs, mixed colors only, each 70c; 3 for \$2.00; 10 for \$5.70; 25 for \$12.50. Seeds also available, see page 15 of Catalog #55.



AMARYLLIS HYBRIDS

THE EASTER LILY—The rather dwarf, compact plants bear freely large and fragrant trumpet flowers of purest waxen whiteness. We offer bulbs of *Lilium longiflorum* Croft Strain, in our opinion the very best of the Easter Lilies for growing in pots under glass. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.50.



SPARAXIS

SPARAXIS BLEND—Big blossoms, well-carried, several open at once. The brilliant, widely inclusive colorings, often in contrasting zonings, include lavender, lilac, cream, yellow, salmon, orange, and scarlet. Forced slowly it is a sure and handsome bulb for late winter flowers. 4 for 25c; 9 for 50c; 19 for \$1.00.

BABIANA AZURE BLUE—Lovely flowers in the purest and most intense of blues, rather like a vivid blue Sparaxis, and to be handled in the same way. Easy for winter bloom. 3 for 25c; 9 for 50c; 19 for \$1.00.

TRITONIA CROCATI MIXED—Exquisite, sparkling pinks, soft salmons, apricot, flaming orange, scarlet. Blossoms of satiny sheen, carried in graceful sprays. As easy as Freesia, and to be handled in just the same way. 4 for 25c; 9 for 50c; 19 for \$1.00.

HESPERANTHERA STANFORDIAE—This is really a beauty. A rather rare South African bulb-flower that gives a display of brilliant, satiny yellow flowers in late winter when grown in pots. We like it, and displays of it at our nursery attract much favorable comment. Handle like Freesia. 3 for 50c; 7 for \$1.00; 25 for \$3.00.

GLORIOSA ROTHSCILDIANA—Glory Lily. Airy, recurved flowers in iridescent crimson, sometimes gold-edged or rose-tinted. Can be brought into bloom in pots under glass in late winter. Exceedingly showy and long in bloom. *Illustrated opposite*. Forcing tubers, each \$1.25; 3 for \$3.50.



CYCLAMEN GIANT FLOWERED—Richly colored, fragrant flowers of large size and exquisite form. For pot culture in window or greenhouse. Dormant tubers. Mixed

tubers. Mixed colors only. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

IRIS TINGITANIA WEDGEWOOD—The big, long-lasting blossoms come in the purest of wedgewood blues. A delightful Iris for winter forcing in window or greenhouse, 3 for 40c; 10 for \$1.20.

STREPTANTHERA CUPREA—Sprays of rather large flowers in a glowing, orange-toned copper, deepening to black-purple at the center. Rich in effect. Handle like Freesia. 3 for 65c; 10 for \$1.75.



IFAFA LILIES—The Ifafa Lilies are species and varieties of Cyrtanthus a South African bulb of the Amaryllis family. The pretty little flowers come as clusters of slender waxen trumpets. Easy for pot culture, blooming freely year after year. *Illustrated opposite*. Four kinds of UNIFORM PRICE of 45c each; 4 for \$1.60, assorted as desired. **LUTESCENS**—Soft, glossy yellow. **ROSEUS**—Salmon pink, **MACKENI**—Ivory white. **HOWARD VARIETY**—Red-toned orange.

SAUROMATUM GUTTATUM—Monarch of the East. Hold the dry tubers in a dark, cool place until late February, then set them in a window where there is not much sun. In a few days great flower-spathes will arise from the unpotted tubers, which by now will likely be somewhat dry and wrinkled. The "flowers" are of large size, of rose-tinted, purple-streaked ivory tone, *Illustrated next page*. After blooming the tubers can be planted in the garden for the summer months, where they will give decorative foliage effects. Tubers, each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.75.

THE PARANA LILY—In April and May come charming trumpet blossoms of pure pink. It is Habranthus brachyandrus, a cousin of Amaryllis that blooms easily and freely when grown in pots. Bulbs suitable for forcing, each 40c; 3 for \$1.00.



VELTHEIMIA VIRIDIFOLIA

—A rather spectacular, pot bulb for winter bloom. From nests of glossy, crispy foliage rise, on 20 inch stems, massive flower trusses of rosy pink with buff shadings and cinnabar tones. The big bulbs ripen off after flowering, but will bloom again each winter for many years, so this is truly a long-time investment in pleasure. Big bulbs. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00; 10 for \$6.00.

LEUCOCORYNE IXIODES

ODORATA—A Chilean exquisite from Andean foothills that is called Glory of the Sun. The 18-inch stems each carry several large and starry blue flowers with undulate petals and white centers. The flowers are pleasingly fragrant, long-lasting. The bulbs respond readily to winter forcing, though this should be on the slow, cool side. 3 for 50c; 7 for \$1.00; 25 for \$3.00.



LACHENALIA

LACHENALIA AUREA—A beautiful plant, with its pendulous flowers of golden yellow, about 25 of them to a stem. A particularly satisfactory bulb for pot culture. Handle like Freesia. *Illustrated opposite.* 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.25.

SPREKELIA FORMOSISSIMA—Jacobean Lily. In late winter come fantastically formed flowers of velvety crimson. A showy plant, often called an Amaryllis. Pot up in February. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.65.

OXALIS CERNUA—Bermuda Buttercup. An easy winter bulb of profuse, long-continued floriferousness. Rich, golden blossoms are carried in graceful, arching sprays. 6 for 25c; 25 for 90c.

OXALIS GRAND DUCHESS MIXED—Fine strain of Oxalis for pot culture, giving a wealth of blossoms in rosy pink, white and lavender. Mixed colors. 6 for 25c; 25 for 90c.

ARABIAN STAR OF BETHLEHEM—Broad clusters of pure white flowers with olive black centers. A handsome plant, long in bloom. Does splendidly as a pot bulb, flowering in late winter and spring. *Ornithogalum arabicum.* *Illustrated opposite.* 3 for 35c; 9 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.60.

ANEMONE ST. BRIGID DOUBLE—A fine strain of Double-flowered Anemones for pot culture, blooming in late winter and early spring. Colorings are gay and bright, notable for brilliant blues and vivid reds, along with varied ping and rose tones, with white. May also be grown in garden if given winter protection. 5 for 45c; 10 for 85c; 25 for \$1.95.



ORNITHOGALUM

THE CALLA LILIES

The Callas make excellent pot plants, long in bloom. **WHITE CALLA**—An old favorite. Handsome, fragrant "lilies" of waxen white. Each 40c; 3 for \$1.10; 10 for \$3.25. **PINK CALLA**—Here are varied, alluring pinks, from faintest blush to rich rose. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.65; 10 for \$5.00. **GOLDEN CALLA**—Heavy, waxen flowers of shining golden yellow. Handsome. Each 45c; 3 for \$1.20; 10 for \$3.50. **BLACK CALLA**. *Arum pictum*. Within, the flower-spathes are a rich and deep velvety maroon, but in reverse, a dull olive, near black. Each 65c; 3 for \$1.25. **OFFER 614FA**—One each of the four, with names, for \$1.75; 3 of each for \$5.00.

OTHER BULBS FOR FORCING

The following kinds, described and priced on pages 2 to 11 of this folder as garden bulbs are also satisfactory, and delightful, when forced in pots for winter flowers in sunny window or greenhouse. Be sure to try at least some of them. They include *Bletilla*, *Alstroemeria chilensis*, *Alstroemeris Ligta*, *Blue Star Flower (Triteleia)*, *Ranunculus*, *Scilla*, *Muscari*, *Crocus*, *Dutch Iris*, *Iris reticulata*, *Allium Neapolitanum*.



SAUROMATUM
(IN FLOWER)

HOUSE PLANT SURPRISE

Delightful amazement here. Seeds of perhaps a hundred different ornamentals suitable for pot culture in sunny window or greenhouse, have gone into this blend. Many are rare, unusual. Sift fine seeds from the coarse before sowing, since latter will need deeper covering. Pkt. 30c; 3 pkts. for 80c.

AFRICAN VIOLETS—SAINTPAULIA

Exquisites for window culture, lovely in blossom coloring, velvety in foliage, long in bloom. **PINK BEAUTY**—Large flowers in purest pink. Patented. Each \$1.25. **BLUE BOY**—Best rich, deep blue. Each \$1.00. **ORCHID BEAUTY**—Delightful orchid lilac, upper petals deeper. Each \$1.25. **BLUSHING MAIDEN**—Flowers in alluring pale blush suffusions. Each \$1.25. **WHITE LADY**—Compact plants crowded with shining white flowers. Each \$1.25. **RED KING**—Richest red-garnet. Leaves wine-stained below. Each \$1.25. **OFFER 614FB**—One plant each of the six for \$5.00.

PELARGONIUM (Tender Geranium)

GERANIUMS FROM SEED—The house plant Geraniums or Pelargoniums all grow readily from seed, and interesting variations may be expected. **GERANIUM ZONALE HYBRIDS**—The usual window Geranium. Seedlings show amazing range of colorings. Near to ever-blooming. *Illustrated below.* Pkt. 20c; 3 pkts. for 50c; 10 pkts. for \$1.50. **GERANIUM SCENTED-LEAF**—We offer seeds saved by a specialist from not less than 10 of the better scented-leaf sorts. Mixed only. 6 seeds for 25c; 28 seeds for \$1.00. **PELARGONIUM MARTHA WASHINGTON**—Rather large flowers, ground color of white, rose or red, usually with contrasting, darker, pansy-like blotchings. Pelargonium domesticum. 6 seeds for 25c; 28 for \$1.00.

GERANIUMS FOR WINTER

In the winter window the rich colorings of the Fancy-leaf Geraniums, together with the pleasant perfume-surprises of the Scented-leaf group carry a particular appeal. All these are Geraniums only within the common horticultural or florist sense, being botanically PELARGONIUMS. All below are offered as plants.

THE SCENTED-LEAF GERANIUMS

—Notable for beauty of form and foliage, and for the delightful, aromatic fragrance of the leaves, this fragrance varying surprisingly from kind to kind. **PRINCE RUPERT LEMON**—There is a pleasant lemon scent with foliage small, much crisped, growth habit compact. Little lavender flowers. Plants, each 65c. **ROSE**—The Attar of Rose variety. The scented foliage gives first the fragrance of the rose, then there is a hint of aromatic balsam. Leaves deeply lobed and cut. Flowers rosy lavender. Plants, each 65c. **NUTMEG**—An exquisite of compact growth, with crinkly, nutmeg-scented leaves that are only slightly lobed. The foliage is delightfully silvered. No other quite like it. Little white flowers. Plants, each 60c. **LADY PLYMOUTH VARIEGATED**—Deeply cut foliage with pleasing rose scent. Each green leaf is sharply, distinctly, margined with white. Compact grower. Lavender flowers. Plant, each 65c. **OFFER 542AN**—One plant each of the four for \$2.30.



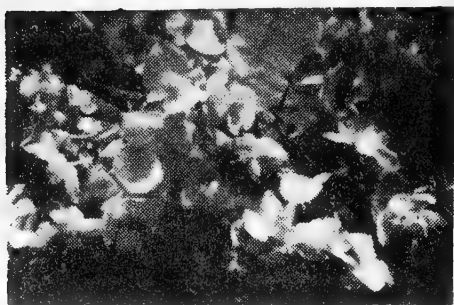
THE FANCY-LEAF GERANIUMS—Quaintly beautiful sorts, grown for oddly marked or vividly colored foliage as much as for the bloom. This means that they are always decorative, always attractive. **DISTINCTION**—Undulate-margined leaves of deep green that carry a sharply defined, narrow circle-band of brown purple close to, but not at, the leaf edge. Bright flowers of rosy vermillion. Well-shaped, bushy plant form. Each 80c. **MME. LANGGUTH**—Silvery green leaves with a snow-white border and a faint purple zone. Rather good, double flowers of rose scarlet. Each 80c. **ITALIAN SKIES**—Maple-like leaves, centered in two-toned green, then zoned with orange-splashed crimson, and edged with creamy white. Bright red flowers. Each 80c. **HAPPY THOUGHT**—Somewhat ruffled leaves that each carry a great "butterfly-wing" splash of creamy white surrounded by a zone of deep olive shading. Cherry-colored flowers. Each 60c. **MISS BURDETTE COUTTS**—Most vivid of the Fancy-leaf Geraniums. The leaves are centered with green, surrounded with an irregular purple band that is splashed with pink, red and yellow. Each leaf carries a wide margin of creamy white. Rosy scarlet blossoms. Each \$1.50. **FRENCH LACE**—Compact, slow-growing plants filled with little leaves that are intensely fluted, ruffled and curled. Each little leaf carries a wide border of creamy white, and the effect of this waved and convolute white margin against green is one of intricate laciness. Flowers like lavender violets. Each 90c. **OFFER 615FA**—One plant each of the six for \$5.00.

THE APARTMENT GERANIUM—A charming miniature, just right for the sunny window of a small apartment or single room. Dwarf, compact plants, leaves and flowers about half-size. Well-doubled blossoms of intense scarlet in good clusters. A gem; those who see it, want it. Introduced as variety **PIGMY**. Plants, each \$1.00.

EUCHARIS GRANDIFLORA

Eucharis, the Lily of the Amazon, will give sweetly perfumed blossoms of a waxen white loveliness several times each year. To be handled as a pot bulb. Needs ample water before blooming, with scantier watering and a semi-rest for a few weeks after each burst of flowering. Bulbs, each \$1.10; 3 for \$3.00.

THE PERFUMED BEGONIA



It is the variety **WILD ROSE**, a thing of beauty and a longtime joy. From plants formed in the graceful curves of a spraying fountain, swing showers of soft pink bloom over glossy, richly green foliage. The blossoms carry the sweet, elusive fragrance of the wild rose. *Illustrated opposite.* Each 80c.

BEGONIAS CARLTON POMPON

Sensational group of new, double-flowering, long-bloomnig Begonias that includes spectacular form and color combinations not seen before among the Doubles. All make splendid pot plants. The foliage is always rich and dark, with a polished, metallic sheen in near-mahogany. Plants, only.

CARLTON FLAME—The flowers, of a rather compact doubleness, are gathered in close clusters. The coloring is difficult to analyze, a blending of pink, and rose, and scarlet, with just a hint here and there of orange-touched apricot. Each 85c.

CARLTON BICOLOR—Graceful blossoms, fully double and with many petals, but not in rosette form. The coloring is a rather rich and distinctive pink, with white at each petal base. Very good, indeed. Each 85c.

CARLTON BLUSH—Each flower is like a tight cluster of floribunda roses in miniature, palest pink at the center, shading to pure pink in the basal or guard petals. Intensely double, but open and graceful in the cluster. Each 85c.

CARLTON BEAUTY—The densely packed, double blossoms are quite definitely in tricolor effect, clear pink at the base, then a stack of lemon yellow petalage, next yellow with rosy margins, culminating in a tiny center cockade of apricot rose. Each 85c.

CARLTON PASTEL—Here the rather large pink-toned basal petals build up into super-imposed rosettes of blush-suffused white and pink-hinting cream that in turn melts into apricot pink and pale rose. Each 85c.

CARLTON BIZARRE—Particularly large flowers and clusters, with wide guard petals of deep pink that carry high-piled, packed rosettes of lemon yellow, each rosette center-touched or shaded with rosy pink. There is a reminder of Persian Ranunculus about the blossoms, both in form and in coloring. Each 85c.

OFFER 616FA—One each of the six for \$4.50.

VARIED FINE BEGONIAS



THE SILVER BEGONIA—(Abel Carriere). Big leaves of shining silveriness, red-netted in reverse. Pretty blossoms of bright pink. *Illustrated opposite.* Each \$1.10; 3 for \$3.00.

THE BLACK BEAUTY BEGONIA—(Joe Heyden). Big, irregular leaves of a velvety near-black when grown in shade. With more light the foliage is umber-hinting dark olive, the newer leaves coppery-toned maroon. Attractive, clear pink blossoms. Each \$1.25.

OTHER DESIRABLE BEGONIAS—Described on page 4 of catalogue #55. We will send one plant each of Begonias Ricinifolia, Feasti, Coccinea, Thurstoni, Lulandi, Alleryi and Argentea-guttata for \$5.00. Order as Offer 616FA.

THE REX BEGONIAS

Grown for the delightfully decorative foliage, ornamental in its wide range of rich and varied color applications. Plants, each \$1.00; or we will send three, each different, for \$2.85.

OTHER WINDOW PLANTS

Kinds listed here all make good pot plants for window or greenhouse. They are supplied in young stock, sizes suitable for easy transit. See our larger Catalog No. 55 for many others.

KALANCHOE BRILLIANT STAR—This exceedingly showy pot plant also makes a good cut flower. Big, flat sprays of star flowers in brightest, glowing red, rise over shining, dark green foliage. Fine house plant. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.35.



DRACAENA GODSEFFIANA—Decorative pot plant of high merit. Firm leaves of a true emerald green are contrastingly splashed and dotted with white. From the Congo. Plants, each 75c.

MARANTA KERCHOVEANA—Prayer Plant. Handsome foliage plants for pot culture, thriving in an east window. Wide, glaucous leaves with big, red-brown spots. Little white flowers. Plants, each 65c.

BILLBERGIA NUTANS—Easily grown and likable pot plant that needs little light. Pretty, pendant blossoms in tricolor effect, the bracts bright red, the petals green, edged with vivid blue. *Illustrated opposite.* Plants, each 60c; 3 for \$1.40.

ARDISIA CRISPA—No better pot plant for brilliant, long-lasting berry effects. Clusters of vividly red berries remain on the plants for many months. Shining, evergreen leaves with wavy edges. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.65.

THE SCARLET ORCHID—It is **EPIDENDRUM O'BRIENIANUM**, a true Orchid with big spray-clusters of bright scarlet blossoms, the lips touched with orange. *Illustrated opposite.* Each \$1.15; 3 for \$3.25.

TULBAGHIA VIOLACEA—Clusters of starry flowers, like a smaller Agapanthus in pink-toned mauve. Easy to grow and near to ever-blooming. Each 50c.

DECORATIVE IVIES—Six diversities for pot culture. **HEART IVY**—Heart-shaped leaves of glossy dark green. Each 50c. **PARSLEY IVY**—Crispy, crinkly, frilly leaves, scarcely lobed. Each 50c. **SELF-BRANCHING IVY**—Small-leaved; gracefully compact; freely branching. Each 45c. **BIRDFOOT IVY**—Deeply slashed foliage of darkest green. Each 45c. **RUFFLED IVY**—Undulate leaves, so waved they seem crested. Each 50c. **GLACIER IVY**—Small-leaved variety, each leaf carrying a well-defined white edging. Each 50c. **OFFER 617FA**—One each of the six for \$2.55.



JACOBINEA CARNEA—King's Crown. Delightfully curled blossoms of purest pink are carried in graceful, crown like clusters. As the plants grow, each new branch ends in turn in a new flower cluster, a process many times repeated through the year. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.50.

ABUTILON (Flowering Maple)—It makes a showy, easily grown large pot plant with bell-blossoms that may be buff, orange, pink, rose, red. The leaves are often Maple-shaped. *Illustrated opposite.* We have a fine strain. Mixed only. Each 65c; 3 for \$1.65.



HIBISCUS KONA—This tender Chinese Hibiscus makes a superbly beautiful pot plant, the immense, fragrant, fully double blossoms beginning when the plants are only a few inches high. The coloring is a soft, pure pink. Each 75c.

BOUGAINVILLEA CRIMSON LAKE—This radiant beauty of the tropics makes a splendid pot plant for window or greenhouse. The sprays of rich rose crimson "flowers" are both long-effective and exceedingly attractive. Easily kept to pot plants size and form by pinching back. Plants, each \$1.00.

STREPTOSOLEN JAMESONI—Grown for the handsome clusters of orange blossoms that appear for many months on the attractive, branching plants. Easy, distinctive, sure. Each 70c.

AGAPANTHUS DWARF EVERGREEN—This fast-growing, ever-blooming dwarf strain is particularly suited to pot culture under glass, the whorls of showy flowers in varied delightful blues being carried on 15-inch stems. Each 75c.



AZALEA CORAL BELL—Splendid sort for growing in pots in window or greenhouse, blooming freely and long during the winter months. Semi-double blossoms of soft coral rose on compact, evergreen plants. Hardy, and can also be used for outside planting. Each 85c; 3 for \$2.30.

AZALEA HEXE—Firefly Azalea. Big, semi-double flowers of a rich, true crimson. Fine for winter pot culture. Can also be grown outside. Evergreen. Each 85c; 3 for \$2.30.

SCHIZOSTYLIS MRS. HEGARTY—Kaffir Lily. The flowers come in the very purest and clearest of possible pinks, and are carried in late autumn and early winter on slender stems over Iris-like foliage. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.50.

PLUMBAGO CAPENSIS—Here is blue, pretty much year-around blue, for the clustered blossoms come in varied shades from azure to indigo, with just rarely a pure or suffused white, and the plants are seldom without flowers. A good pot plant North, giving Geranium handling. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

PENTAS COCCINEA—Wide clusters of showy flowers in winter. Usually bright rose, but sometimes varies attractively. Each 90c.

IRIS SUSIANA

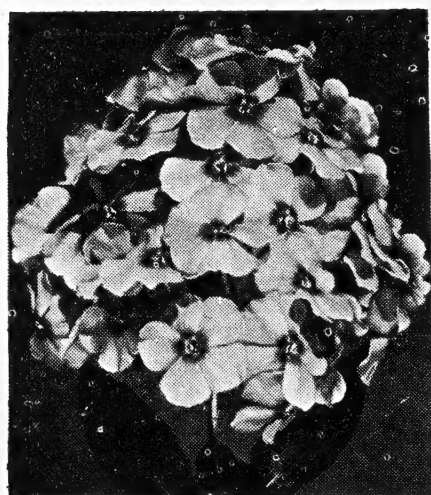
From Persia comes the rare and distinctive Great Mourning Iris. The flowers are of unusually large size and show a quite distinctive application of coloring, a silvery gray ground densely veined and stippled with a brown so dark that it is close to black. It makes a handsome pot plant, and it is perhaps best so handled. Each \$1.25; 3 for \$3.50.



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1 PHLOX PERENNIAL

TALL SUMMER PHLOX—Here are the tall-growing Phloxes of our summer gardens. They grow 30 to 40 inches and bloom in July and August. *Illustrated opposite.* Plants available at **UNIFORM PRICE** of each 55c; 3 of one kind for \$1.45; 10 of one kind for \$4.30. **LILIAN**—Massive panicles of purest, unstained pink. **SPITFIRE**—A most brilliant orange scarlet. Vigorous and showy. **PURPLE HEART**—Rich blue-purple with darker centers. **EUROPE**—Blossoms pure white, centered carmine. **FIRE-BRAND**—Vivid scarlet. Large trusses. **PANTHEON**—Excellent carmine pink. **GOLIATH**—Showy rose-scarlet, flowers in large, pyramidal panicles. **MARY LOUISE**—Fine, large-flowered pure white. Blooms



late summer. **CAROLINE VANDENBURG**—Deep lavender, appearing true blue at dusk. **SPECIAL FRENCH**—Soft salmon pink, deeper at center. Large flower; large truss. **LEO SCHLAGETER**—A brilliant red, called the brightest Phlox. **VON LASSBURG**—Excellent, free-flowering pure white. **MORGENROOD**—Dawn-sky red with wine tones. **SWEETHEART**—An attractive apple-blossom pink. **OFFER 559BN**—One plant each of the 14 kinds, with names, for \$6.80. **OFFER 559CN**—One plant each of 8 kinds, names attached, but our choice, for \$3.40.

TRUE BLEEDING HEART

The old-fashioned Bleeding Heart, *Dicentra spectabilis*, is perhaps the loveliest flower of spring. A hardy, long-lived perennial. Rosy pink. Each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.70.

ROCK GARDEN PERENNIALS

All through our Catalog No. 55 are hardy plants for the rock garden, some hundreds of kinds. Here are just a few, selected from them. Remember they will fit many another position, too, in mixed hardy border, as edgings or in odd corners. No need to go without all this beauty, just because you have no rocks.

DIANTHUS ROSE CUSHION—Dense, rounded cushions of blue-tinted green become all rosy pink when the hundreds of bright blossoms on their inch-high stems, appear in May. A beauty. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.35; 10 for \$3.90.



GENTIANA LAGODECHIANA—Fully hardy Gentian of luxuriant beauty, carrying wide, upfacing blossoms of ultramarine blue for months. *Illustrated opposite.* Each 55c; 3 for \$1.40.

CENTAUREA BELLA—15 inches. Beauty of the Caucasus. Fringed, starry blossoms of mauve pink rise for many weeks over silvery foliage. Excellent rock garden perennial. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.30.

IBERIS AVALON—7 inches. Snowy Hardy Candytuft. Wide, overlapping clusters of big, white flowers. Evergreen foliage. April and May. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25; 10 for \$3.70.

ANTHEMIS BIEBERSTEINIANA—12 inches. Above low foliage that seems like sparkling, silvery filigree, rise blossoms of orange gold. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.50.

ASTER STAR OF WARTBURG—12 inches. Splendid, dwarf, spring-blooming Aster with particularly large flowers of deep blue, orange-centered. Each 55c; 3 for \$1.45.

PRUNELLA WEBBIANA ROSEA—8 inches. It makes plaques of deep green, cut-leaf foliage. Free-blooming and colorful, carrying very many spike-clusters of rose pink flowers. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.30.

MAZUS REPTANS—2 inches. Pretty little mat-perennial. Densely packed foliage, set over with fairly large blue "mimulus" flowers, the whole not over two inches high. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25; 10 for \$3.60.

PRIMULA POLYANTHUS SPLENDID MIXED—7 inches. Showy and adaptable spring-blooming perennials for rock garden or edging. Large flowers in up-facing clusters in colorings that include cream, yellow, mahogany, rosy orange, crimson, blue violet. Supplied in mixture only. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.40; 10 for \$4.00.



DRAGON-BLOOD SEDUM—Bright red flowers in late June and July, over succulent green foliage. In autumn the foliage becomes rich maroon, remaining so all winter, as bright again then as it is at flowering time. *Sedum spurium coccineum.* Each 45c; 3 for \$1.15.

CAMPANULA POSCHARSKYANA—Graceful, semi-trailing star-bell, long mantled with sprays of radiant blue-violet. Each 55c; 3 for \$1.40; 10 for \$4.00.

COREOPSIS AURICULATA NANA—8 inches. A dwarf for rock garden or bedding. All season long it is filled with flowers of a gold so deep it approaches orange. A gem. Each 55c; 3 for \$1.35.

PHLOX NIVALIS CAMLA—8 inches. This fine Phlox is pretty much everblooming, seldom without its flowers of pure pink from early May to November. Each 55c; 3 for \$1.40.

PHLOX BIFIDA—A little-known species Phlox of much attractiveness. The flowers come in many shades and tones of lilac, mauve, blue and lavender, the petals always deeply cleft in airy effect. 8 inch mounds of bloom. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

HEUCHERA SANGUINEA—20 inches. Coral Bells. Airy, graceful sprays of flowers that range from coral-toned scarlet to crimson, carried well above the decorative foliage. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.55.

POTENTILLA TONGUEI—A trailing extravagance of coppery apricot blossoming from July into November. Each 55c; 3 for \$1.40.

FOR SHADY PLACES

All the plants offered here will do well in partly shaded positions, giving good flowers year after year. You don't have to grow them in shade, though, for every one of them will do well in sunny places, too.

STOKESIA LAEVIS—18 inches. Immense, fringed blossoms in varied rich blues. Long in bloom, June and July. Long-lived. Fine for cutting. Does equally well in sun or partial shade. Plants, each 50c; 3 for \$1.25; 10 for \$3.65.

DICENTRA EXIMIA—16 inches. Plume Bleedingheart. Plumes of rather heart-shaped flowers in rose tones are carried over deeply slashed foliage. Pretty much ever-blooming. Plants, each 55c; 3 for \$1.40; 10 for \$4.00.

CHRYSOGONUM VIRGINICUM—6 inches. Thick green foliage-mats are set with golden stars from June into November. Shade or sun. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.60.



GERANIUM BLUE BEAUTY—20 inches. Winter-hardy perennial that carries attractive, blue-lavender flowers from June to August. Will endure much shade, or be as happy in full sun. *Illustrated opposite.* Each 65c; 3 for \$1.60.

ASTILBE—26 inches. Exquisitely fashioned, feathery flower plumes over attractive foliage. Long-lived. Four good ones. **AMERICA**—Lilac pink. Long in bloom. Each 60c. **AVALANCHE**—Great fluffy plumes of new-snow whiteness. Each 70c. **PINK PEARL**—Here the airy, lacy panicles are of softest pink. Each 60c.

FANAL—Plumes of fire red over bronzed foliage. Each 70c.

PRIMULA DENTICULATA—Almost first flower of the season, the big clusters of lavender to lilac blossoms, sometimes close to clear blue, appear about as soon as spring itself. 9 inches. Plants, each 50c; 3 for \$1.25; 10 for \$3.70.

PRIMULA PULVERULENTA—This one is a bit later in blooming, May its month, and quite a bit taller, to 15 inches, the powdery stems carrying whorl above whorl of richly crimson flowers. Plants each 50c; 3 for \$1.25; 10 for \$3.70.

TRADESCANTIA J. C. WEGUELIN—18 inches. It yields a new wealth of sky blue blossom beauty day after day for months on end. Thin shade or full sun. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

SILENE WHERRYI—8 inches. In May the plants are great, wide cushions of purest pink. Does well in sun, too. Plants, each 50c; 3 for \$1.30.

HEMEROCALLIS MARGARET PERRY—Day Lily. Dusky rose carnelian with yellow throat star. A good one, *Illustrated opposite.* Each 65c; 3 for \$1.75.

SEDUM SPECTABILE BRILLIANT—24 inches. Handsome, thickened, blue-glaucous leaf masses, sprays of bright carmine flowers above. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.



SEDUM PRUINATUM—7 inches. Mats of rather dense and fine blue-toned foliage carry in June great massed spreads of golden yellow blossoming. Each 45c; 3 for \$1.15; 10 for \$3.00.

PHLOX DIVARICATA—12 inches. Through May it gives great spreads of glorious, blue-lavender flowering. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25; 10 for \$3.75.

DORONICUM EXCELSOM—30 inches. Big, showy blossoms of golden orange in spring. For cutting or garden decorative effects. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.50.

PLANT PERENNIALS NOW

Then they will be well-established when spring comes, plenty of new roots spreading through the soil, and they will be ready to give you a really representative showing of blossoming the first year. Our 68-page General Catalog No. 55 describes and offers many hundreds of kinds, hardy perennial flowering plants that, once in your garden, will live there as pleasant friends for many long years, giving happy displays of colorful bloom season after season. If your copy of Catalog No. 55 has been lost, or loaned, just ask us for another one.